GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2359
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National Culture Fund
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) The aims and objectives of the National Culture Fund (NCF);

(b) the funds allocated and expenditure incurred to various institutions/ department/individuals during the last three years to preserve culture of the country; and

(c) whether the Government is planning to amend the criteria laid down in said trust for mobilizing the funds and if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR CULTURE & TOURISM

(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

(a) The National Culture Fund (NCF) was set up by the Government of India as a Trust under the Charitable Endowment Act, 1890 on 28th November, 1996 with a view to mobilize extra resources through Public Private Partnerships towards promoting, protecting and preserving India's cultural heritage. The Fund aims at inviting the participation of the corporate sector, public and private sector companies, non-government organizations, state governments as well as individuals in the task of promoting, protecting and preserving India's rich cultural heritage.

(b) The details are placed at Annexure-1

(c) No Madam, the government is not planning to amend the criteria laid down for mobilizing funds in said trust.

The present funding mechanism covers a wide area for getting contributions and grants from agencies like Central Government, State Government, voluntary donations, statuary bodies created under the Acts of Parliament or of the State Legislatures, the United Nations and its associated bodies & other International Organizations, Private and Public Corporate Sectors, Trusts, Societies and Individuals. The funds being received by the said trust are under the CSR & Sustainability" Activities, as per Schedule VII, The Companies Act, 2013.

Annexure-I

Annexure referred in part (b) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2359 for Reply on 31.07.2017 regarding National Culture Fund.

In the last three Financial Years ,NCF released the funds to the following organisations towards the projects expenses. The details are as under −

S. No Name of Organization Project Name 2014-15 2015-16 2016-17 Remarks

1.Archaeological Survey of India Conservation and Restoration of Jaisalmer Fort, Rajasthan 13,53,690.00 - - Project completed Funds Utilized

2.Janana Prvaha,Calcutta Janana Prvaha,Calcutta 5,27,610.00 - - Project completed Funds Utilized

3.Alam Bazar Math & M/s Manish Chakraborty (Consultants) Alambazar Math Project, Kolkata, West Bengal. - 20,00,000.00 - Funds Utilized

4.Archaeological Survey of India Project Gol Gumbaj, bijapur 12,58,413.00 - - Funds Utilized

5.Archaeological Survey of India Conservation & maintenance of Tughlaqabad Fort, New Delhi 16,39,618.00 - - Project completed Funds Utilized

6.M/s PEGS & M/s Abha Lambha Associates Krishna Temple, Hampi, Karnataka 20,72,025.00 7,07,700.00 - Funds Utilized

7. M/s Droher(Consultants) Preparation of DPR for Old Rangnath Mandir, Pushkar,Rajasthan
3,37,698.00 - - Funds Utilized

8.Photo Archive Foundation Project on India Photo Archive Foundation 3,90,618.00 - - project completed Funds Utilized

9.Archaeological Survey of India Conservation of National Monuments 1 . Group of monument in Mandu, (M.P) -Conservation of Hoshang Shah Tomb - Interpretation Centre at TaveliMahal & Signage
2. Excavated site at Vikramshila, Bihar
3. Excavated site of Lalitgiri, Orissa - 25,00,000.00 - Funds Utilized

10.Archaeological Survey of India Conservation of Ahom Monuments, Sibsagardistt.,Assam
1. Rang Ghar 2. KarengGhar(Garhgaon) 3. TalatalGhar(Joysagar) 4. Group of Madaims at Cheraideo 50,00,000.00 - 50,00,000.00 Project activity ongoing

11.Archaeological Survey of India Project NTPC Nagrik Sewa Mandal 5,00,000.00 - - Project completed Funds Utilized

12.SEWA Federation, Gujarat Crafts and sustainable skill development in Gujarat. 47,00,618.00 36,00,000.00 10,00,000.00 Funds Utilized

12.Aga Khan Foundation Conservation of Sunderwala Mahal New Delhi 32,52,869.00 - - Project completed Funds Utilized

13.Archaeological Survey of India Conservation of JaiprakashYantra, Jantar Mantar,New Delhi 15,00,000.00 - 7,00,000.00 Project completed Funds Utilized

14. Archaeological Survey of India Restoration of Shri Bhuleshwar Temple,Pune
,Maharastra - - 23,00,000.00 Project Ongoing Funds Utilized

15.M/s Abha Lambha Associates(Consultant) Upgradation of ASI Site museums Swatantrata Sangram Sangrahalaya, Red Fort, Delhi - 5,60,000.00 - Ongoing project activity

16.IICD,Jaipur NCF-HUDCO Training Programme for craftsmen - 7,28,417.00 - Project completed Funds Utilized

17. Archaeological Survey of India For purchasing two battery operated vehicles for Monuments
- - 15,31,600.00 Project completed Funds Utilized

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